

DCI's Speech for Industrial Conference Board 10/24/57

- A. Greetings to distinguished audience
- B. Purposes of a national central intelligence system under modern conditions
 - 1. To furnish a factual and interpretive basis for policy decisions
 - 2. To provide warning of approaching danger to national security
- C. Nature of present US system (for foreign, as opposed to domestic—
FBI—intelligence)
 - 1. "The Central Intelligence Agency" and "Central Intelligence"
are two different things ("Director of the Central Intelligence
Agency" as used in announcement for this meeting is a less correct
title than Director of Central Intelligence).
 - 2. "Central Intelligence" is a method of coordinating all acti-
vities of the government having to do with intelligence in the
interest of the national security.
 - a. DCI as coordinator under this system is analogous to
corporation executives who supervise many divisions of a
large business concern, except that DCI is empowered only
to make recommendations to the NSC.
 - b. Like such executives, DCI is concerned with "Boards of
Directors" chiefly in the form of the IAC, the President's
Board, and the NSC.
 - 3. "The Central Intelligence Agency," which the DCI administers,
is a separate agency of the government authorized under the
National Security Act.
 - a. It provides a central point for examination of all intelligence.
for "national security" implications.

- b. It supplements the work of other intelligence agencies where deemed advisable by the NSC.

D. Method of providing a sound basis for policy decisions

1. Collection is undertaken by all agencies including CIA. (Emphasize OO/C as enterprise in which many of audience play important and laudable part.)
2. Analysis, also undertaken by all agencies including CIA. (Emphasize economic and scientific intelligence as of natural interest to persons present and to which some have furnished assistance; also emphasize work of Central Reference because of audience's probably interest in machine techniques used by OCR)
3. Processing and review which is a joint effort under the IAC. (Emphasize the means taken to ensure that what is sent to the NSC is soundly based on all available evidence and carefully considered from all points of view.)

E. Method of warning of danger to national security

1. The IAC Watch Committee as focus of authority and decision
2. The National Indications Center as 24-hour staff to Watch Committee (Emphasize that the NIC system, unlike radar pickets, has the capability of knowing about a planned attack before rather than after it has been launched.)

F. Appraisal of US intelligence system today after ten years of development.